

"I believe the African lovegrass invasion is equal in challenge to the rabbit plagues faced by previous generations, in financial and biodiversity losses. It creates a monoculture and has no nutritional value in winter when you need it most, and to top it off, dense infestations pose a major fire risk." Michael Green, Grazier – Monaro - AWI. Beyond the Bale Sept. 2015.



African Lovegrass Workshop 14th November 2015

9.30 morning tea -10.00 am start – 2.30 finish

Murrumbateman Fire shed

African lovegrass is moving into the Yass district - a tussocky noxious weed that can aggressively invade vast areas of productive farm, residential properties and public land. It is a 'Weed of National Significance' which decreases grazing productivity due to its high growth rates and competitiveness. Learn how to distinguish African lovegrass from native lovegrass. Hear about effective control methods, especially on the Monaro where African lovegrass has been an increasing problem over many years. Biosecurity issues such as the spread of African lovegrass seeds on roadsides will also be covered.

Facilitator: Jacqui Stol, CSIRO Land and Water, Secretary, Yass Area Network Landcare Groups. Chair, Murrumbateman Landcare Group.

Speakers:

- Dr. Robert C. Godfree, Senior Research Scientist, National Research Collections Australia, CSIRO
- Alison Elvin, Natural Capital Pty Ltd
- Sue Howieson, ACT Grazier
- Cooma Shire Weed Control Officer TBC
- Damian Minehan, Southern Slopes Noxious Plants authority



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FREE Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided;

RSVP by Tuesday 10th November (for catering numbers):

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